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SUBJECT: ICASS HIERARCHY RESTRUCTURE

1. SUMMARY

This is an update on changes to the overseas ICASS budget hierarchy for fiscal year 2010. This is the first of two cables. Issues covered in this telegram follow:

- 1. Summary
 - 2. ICASS Budget Hierarchy Restructure
 - 3. ICASS Budget Hierarchy new structure
 - 4. Operating Under a Continuing Resolution
 - 5. Implementation Guide
 - 6. Additional Information
2. ICASS Overseas Budget Hierarchy Restructure

The ICASS overseas budget hierarchy will be restructured for fiscal year 2010, beginning October 1, 2009. In the old structure, ICASS funds for Traditional, DS and OBO were maintained in a single 5XXX allotment where XXX is the overseas post code. In the new hierarchy, unique overseas allotments have been created for ICASS Traditional Bureau (5XXX), DS Bureau (1XXX) and OBO Bureau (2XXX). Posts that use Operating Allowances in their ICASS budget structures today will still be able to do so. With the new budget structure, posts will have the ability to obligate, spend, and track ICASS funds separately by each funding source.

3. New ICASS Overseas Budget Hierarchy Structure Budget Level

Budget Level

1	Appropriation	19	X45190001		
2	Apportionment	19	X45190001		
3	Bureau	Regional	DS		OBO
4	Allotment	5XXX	1XXX	2XXX	

4. Operating Under a Continuing Resolution

The Department expects to operate under a Continuing Resolution effective between October 1 and October 31, 2009. The system changes for the new ICASS budget hierarchy won't be in effect until October 8, when RFMS is projected to become available for the new fiscal year. Between October 1 and October 8, no ICASS Advice of Allotment documents will be available. During the

first eight days of October, Posts are authorized to enter into actions that would require spending of not more than thirty-one three hundred sixty-fifths (31/365ths) of the FY 2009 spending level. Due to the new ICASS budget hierarchy, this must be individually calculated for each of the three spending categories under the new budget hierarchy: traditional bureau, DS and OBO. Documents created must reference one of the three allotment numbers, as appropriate: 5xxx, 1xxx, 2xxx. This authority is limited to 19 X45190001 only.

¶5. Implementation Guide

An Implementation Guide is being created and will be provided in early October. The guide will explain the details of the ICASS budget hierarchy restructure and the resulting changes at post level and bureau level.

¶6. Additional Information

A second cable will be sent that will provide additional details about the ICASS budget hierarchy restructure and resultant changes at the post and bureau level.

¶7. MINIMIZE CONSIDERED.

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